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| 3. The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection, (a) They raise new issues that would require further co (b) They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE belo (c) They are not deemed to place the application in bet | nsideration and/or search (see NO w); | TE below); | |
| appeal; and/or (d) They present additional claims without canceling a | | | |
| NOTE: (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)). | | | |
| 4. The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.1 | 21. See attached Notice of Non-Co | ompliant Amendment | (PTOL-324). |
| 5. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s) | | | |
| Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be a the non-allowable claim(s). | llowable if submitted in a separate | , timely filed amendm | ent canceling |
| 7. For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) how the new or amended claims would be rejected is pro The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows: Claim(s) allowed: <i>None</i> . Claim(s) objected to: <i>None</i> . | | ill be entered and an | explanation of |
| Claim(s) rejected: <u>1-14</u> . | | | |
| Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: <u>None</u> . | | | |
| AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE 8. The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, by because applicant failed to provide a showing of good an and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e). | | | |
| 9. The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to a showing a good and sufficient reasons why it is necessar | vercome <u>all</u> rejections under appe y and was not earlier presented. S | al and/or appellant fai See 37 CFR 41.33(d)(| ils to provide a 1). |
| 10. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanatio REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER | n of the status of the claims after e | entry is below or attac | hed. |

11. The request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:

13. Other: _

See Continuation Sheet.

12. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s). (PTO/SB/08 or PTO-1449) Paper No.

Continuation of 11. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:

Applicant reiterates the previous argument that Hsu fails to teach "moving processing" from one processor to another. Examiner notes the merit in Applicant's assertion that Hsu does not teach a single call being handled by multiple processors without an intervening call setup request. However, as the claims are presented, such a limitation is not explicitly recited or implicit within the claim language. Rather, the claim merely states that the processing of a task is moved to an optimized processor "when said given channel processing task for said given channel changes to a new channel processing task." This does not necessarily reflect a dynamic shift in tasks in the midst of processing. It could easily be read as the current call being completed, a new type of task coming in on the channel, wherein the new type of task must be associated with a new processor. Given this interpretation, Hsu reads on the claim, and initiates the moving of processing by way of a call setup routine. Should Applicant wish to traverse this rejection, the limitation argued, offloading processing of a channel to a new processor in the midst of a call, such that a single call can be handled by multiple processors, should be included in the claim. Otherwise, Applicant is arguing a narrower reading of the claims than is actually presented.

Furthermore, Applicants attack of Examiner's motivation to combine is reiterated herein. Examiner hereby repeats his assertion that the use of history buffers and jitter buffers are well known in the art of digital signal processing. Weiss and Lin discuss these features. While Applicant states that it is not requested that the development of the art of DSPs be reconstructed, apparently such is desired as Applicant is not satisfied with anything short of "evidence that suggests" the features that are well known. Necessarily, this will require going back and retrieving references that discuss the benefits of jitter buffers, history buffers, etc. Digital signal processing is hardly a nascent technology; that Weiss and Lin discuss the use of these types of buffers in such general terms should indicate to Applicant that the reasons these types of memories are used are well known and do not merit rehashing. Accordingly, the motivation provided is deemed sufficient.